

The Office of the Governor **Proclamation**

Executive Department State of Idaho

State Capitol Boise

WHEREAS, December 1 is World AIDS day; and

WHEREAS, Idaho's first case of HIV was reported 20 years ago in 1985; and

WHEREAS, 1/4 of HIV positive individuals do not know that they are HIV positive and therefore unknowingly pass the virus on to others; and

WHEREAS, there is currently no cure for HIV and no vaccine readily available for the prevention of infection; and

WHEREAS, at this time, the most effective intervention against HIV is awareness and education; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim the month of December 2005, to be

HIV and AIDS AWARENESS MONTH

in Idaho.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this twenty-second day of November in the year of our Lord two-thousand and five and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirtieth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred sixteenth.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE GOVERNOR

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